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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:


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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Increasing Officer End Strength

1. I am seeking your direct assistance in expanding the officer strength of the Quartermaster Corps and our Army. The majority of our officers arrive from ROTC and West Point; the lead time for that process being 2-4 years from start to commissioning. Based on transformation and other factors, the Army has immediate needs that warrant a shorter commissioning process, Officer Candidate School.
2. Your assistance in identifying, guiding, and following up on qualified and deserving Soldiers to be OCS candidates is extremely critical to our Army and the Quartermaster Corps. Naturally, the Soldier candidates must meet standards IAW AR 350-51 and want to lead Soldiers.
3. The bottom line is, I'm asking you to look hard for potential leaders in the non-Commissioned officer ranks and qualified deserving Soldiers in the Advanced Individual Training process. I have been delegated authority to appoint the Corps goal of ten Soldiers annually to OCS. You may submit the files of candidates who may require waivers pending approval of the waiver by HRC.
4. Please be reminded that this is in addition to the five hip pocket Green to Gold ROTC program scholarships I can approve each year. I need your help, let's continue to grow our Corps.
5. Provide the name of your point of contact to LTC Rich Hansen (at 804-734-3441 or email: [richard.d.hansen1@lee.army.mil](mailto:richard.d.hansen1@lee.army.mil)) Officer Proponent, QM Corps. He will monitor status and communication on my behalf.

  
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